

REMARKS

The Examiner's Action mailed on October 5, 2005, has been received and its contents carefully considered. Additionally attached to this Amendment is a Petition for a Two-month Extension of Time, extending the period for response to March 5, 2006.

In this Amendment, Applicant has amended the title of the invention, amended claim 1 to include the subject matter of allowable claim 5, and editorially amended claims 2-4 and 6. Claim 5 has been canceled. Claim 1 is the independent claim, and claims 1-4 and 6 are pending in the application. For at least the following reasons, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance.

The Examiner has objected to the title of the invention as not being descriptive. In response thereto, the title has been amended to make the title more descriptive. Should the Examiner maintain this objection, the Examiner is hereby requested to provide a proposed title change. Alternatively, it is requested that this objection be withdrawn.

The Examiner has objected to the claims for various informalities. In response thereto, the claims have been editorially amended to correct the informalities noted by the Office Action. It is requested that these objections be withdrawn.

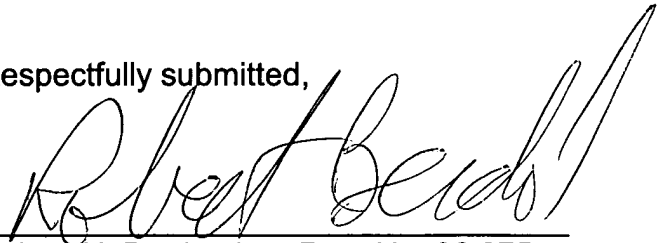
It is noted with great appreciation that the Examiner considers the subject matter of original claim 5 as being allowable over the art of record. In response,

claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 5, thus placing claim 1 into *prima facie* condition for allowance, and thereby rendering all of the Examiner's prior art rejections moot. It is thus submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. Such action and the passing of this case to issue are requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a conference would help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned counsel to arrange for such an interview.

Should the remittance be accidentally missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-0002, and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,



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